

## NEWS OF THE CAMPS

Affairs are Kept Well In Hand

### REMARKABLE LIBERALITY

Artesian Well for Kalihi--Chinese at Kawaiahao Church--Conditions in Burnt District.

The 6,000 or 7,000 Hawaiians, Japanese and Chinese, who were forced out of Chinatown by the great fire Saturday, are being fed and cared for in the most creditable manner by the people of Honolulu. The spontaneous offer of supplies of all kinds by the citizens—the open-handed liberality of the merchants, wholesale and retail, the donation of trucks and other vehicles for conveying supplies, affords an object lesson the like of which has never before been witnessed on the islands.

In all the detention camps—Kawaiahao Church, Kalihi, Kakaako, Dowager Queen premises, kerosene warehouse and the drilled, able men are in charge. Judge Alfred Carter at Kawaiahao Church, L. A. Thurston at Kalihi, Minister Cooper at the drilled, A. L. C. Atkinson at the kerosene warehouse, and J. A. Gilman at the premises on Punchbowl street, near Queen, all have matters well in hand, and the prospect of a peaceful ending of the crowding and naturally uncomfortable situation is considered to be very flattering.

#### At Kawaiahao Church.

Kawaiahao Church yard yesterday presented a scene resembling a great festa. There was not the jollity, but the numbers and picturesqueness were present, and around the gates and walls of the old church a throng of curious spectators lingered all day. They were not allowed to come close, however, the artillerymen in khaki kit keeping the sidewalk adjoining the premises clear. There was life and movement in and about the gates, where two or three guards were stationed, and where Mr. George Carter held forth all day trying to preserve the organization that so successfully took the horde of Chinese and Japanese within the premises through the night and day.

A commissariat of the first rank could not have done better with a nation's stores to draw from than those in charge of Kawaiahao Church did Saturday and Sunday with the three thousand Orientals under their charge. There was no lack of supplies, no lack of provisions, no lack of efficient management. The corps of commissary and sanitary volunteers, comparatively few in number, did nobly. As a result their task will be lighter while the people are under their care. "A stitch in time saves nine," is the principle upon which the great undertaking has been conducted.

Among the Chinese are a number of confirmed opium smokers. It was found advisable to provide these with a "den" where they could use the pipe, and it was accordingly done.

Among the notable cash contributions made to the fund for the care of the homeless people from the burned district were the following: The H. Estate, \$50; Mr. McLeod, \$10; Mrs. Frederick Macfarlane, \$50; Mrs. Cunningham, \$10; Mrs. Melrose, \$20; ladies of the Hawaiian Relief Society, \$85. The latter sum was used to purchase clothing for the Hawaiians at Kalihi camp.

#### Kalihi Detention Camp.

The number of people sent to the camp Saturday was 1,200.

A very large number of carpenters were at work yesterday and there will be accommodations for 500 more at the camp by this afternoon.

The completion of the administration and guard building at the Kalihi station was achieved yesterday, and the two hospitals, one for general sickness and one for a suspect detention station, were gotten well under way.

The duties at the Kalihi station were too much for any one man to attend to and a division of the duties was made Saturday.

Hereafter C. B. Wilson will confine himself to pushing the construction department and J. D. McVeigh will have charge of the management of the people and the sanitary condition and commissary of the station.

A telephonic connection was re-established at the Kalihi station by 6 o'clock Saturday evening. Manager Cassidy having personally attended to the matter, this being the first telephonic connection being made after the wires were destroyed through Chinatown.

Dr. Howard has been transferred to the Kalihi station and will hereafter be the camp physician there. Dr. Davis assisting him. A third physician will also be immediately appointed, as he will be necessary to secure an inspection twice a day, which is required by the Board of Health.

#### Queen Dowager Camp.

There are by actual count 497 Hawaiians at the Dowager Queen camp, all the inmates having been transferred from the burned district. The camp is in charge of Joe Cooke. Ernest Thrum and Philip Lansdale are assisting in the general straightening out of the camp.

Contractor Paty rushed work yesterday on the buildings, which will contain twenty rooms each, sufficient in the aggregate to accommodate 600 persons. The buildings will be completed by tomorrow.

There was a birth at the camp Saturday night, the Chinese mother being confined almost immediately after arrival at the camp.

#### The Japanese Camp.

At the drilled in the rear of the Executive building grounds eight hundred or more Japanese men, women and children are being cared for. They occupy not only the spacious drilled, but the large building adjoining and the rooms on the Waikiki side of these large structures. Minister Cooper is in charge of the place, and was on hand much of yesterday directing affairs. A large force of carpenters was at work putting down floors for tents, and other workmen were excavating in the street, preparatory to laying a water pipe, the supply of water on the grounds being grossly inadequate.

Here, as at Kawaiahao Church, the number of spectators around the edges of the camp was large. The concert given by the Hawaiian band on the Executive building grounds during the afternoon drew a large number of persons to that part of the city, where the Japanese in detention gave added interest to the scene. The feeding of the Japanese was done on much the same plan as the Chinese were fed, and no trouble was encountered.

#### Further Distribution.

Eight hundred Japanese were taken from Kawaiahao Church to the drilled and buildings in the rear of the Executive building, where Minister Cooper had charge of their detention. Four hundred and ninety-seven Hawaiians were taken to the Dowager Queen premises. This left only the Chinese at Kawaiahao Church, of all the people who had been taken from the burned district Saturday afternoon. A census taken yesterday morning of all the Chinese left at the church showed the following: Children under 10, 375; males over 10, 1,357; females over 10, 245; total, 1,977. Late yesterday afternoon the women and most of the children were taken in wagons and trucks from the church to the original detention camp at Kakaako. A number of men were also provided with accommodations at Kakaako, this arrangement relieving the situation at the church.

Of the nearly two thousand Chinese at the church the only case of sickness was that of an infant female, who, according to report, was suffering from nothing serious. Mother and child were among those removed to Kakaako in the afternoon. Several Chinese women at the church are soon to be confined, and it was stated that an arrival was expected some time late night. Every possible attention is being shown to the expectant mother, and if the youngster does not live to grow up strong and happy and with a heart full of gratitude for the Honolulu plague volunteers of A. D. 1900, it will not be their fault.

#### How Food Is Issued.

Yesterday morning Mr. Carter and his assistants formed a line in the churchyard, moving everybody back from the building in order to perfect the plans for distributing food and looking after sanitary matters.

The task of feeding the big crowd was accomplished without trouble, Jack McVeigh's ideas being adopted. This provided for giving supplies to gangs, instead of having food cooked for them. The latter plan was tried first, but a wagon load of rice that had been cooked for the Chinese was refused, and had to be carted away. The McVeigh plan is to distribute the food to lots of ten, two representatives of each lot coming to the gate with tickets. The men are then given a sauce-pan, pall, chopsticks, ten pounds of rice, four pounds of beef, four loaves of bread, and a small supply of salt. Each lot of ten is also supplied with firewood and bricks for an oven. There is plenty of artesian water on the premises. Distribution of food is made twice a day. Upon the return of the outfits clean, new tickets for the next supply are given. Mr. Adams and Mr. Taylor are in charge of the commissary department, and Mr. Gear is in charge of sanitary arrangements at the church.

There are six outhouses on the premises, for the exclusive use of the women and little children. For the accommodation of the others in detention a trench four feet deep and ten feet square has been dug, which is thoroughly disinfected and covered up twice a day. A gang of men is employed for the sole purpose of disinfecting the grounds, outhouses and trench.

A notable contribution received at the church yesterday was 2,000 loaves of bread, given by Mr. P. C. Jones. It came in very handy and was greatly appreciated by the authorities as well as the homeless Chinese. Large contributions of apples and other acceptable eatables were also received.

#### The Burnt District.

Thousands of sightseers yesterday visited the scene of Saturday's conflagration, and now that the dense smoke has passed away they obtained a clear view over the entire extent of the district burned. From the waterfront to Kukui street and from the river back to Smith street only three buildings escaped the general destruction. These three are situated upon Kukui street, and the presence of a small banana patch alone saved them.

The walls of five brick buildings, including the church and engine house and the partially demolished frame and galvanized iron building occupied by the Independent printing office, stand out of the ruins, but even these will have to be pulled down.

The flagpole at No. 5 engine house was smoldering about half way to the top all yesterday and red flags placed on the three roads leading up to it warned approaching teams of danger.

So complete was the destruction of the buildings that hardly a piece of half-burned timber remains; everything is in ashes. At Kaumakapili and

in two other brick buildings the debris is still smoldering. The chimneys which occupied the Waikiki lower of the church lie broken or melted on the ground.

Over fifty safes of all sizes are observed throughout the district. Some of these have burst open and are empty, while others appear intact. Men were employed with drags all of yesterday in collecting as many as could be got at and removing them to the sidewalk on Nuuanu street. A full dozen of bicycles can be identified among the ruins of kitchen utensils, sewing machines, crockery and the ironwork of burned trunks, met upon all sides. An occasional sickening odor suggests the near presence of some destroyed animal.

Some idea of the intense heat of the fire may be obtained by a visit to Kakaako street, mauka of King street. The firemen were unable to approach this locality, and no water was therefore played upon it. This road is burned brown as chocolate, and is hard as brick; the curbing of the sidewalks, made of lava rock, is flaked, and crumbles at a touch; iron pots are melted, while crockery is intact.

A case of matches was hastily removed from the cellar at Kaumakapili just before the fire on account of its dangerous nature. Strangely enough, this case was the only article of merchandise saved from the building and from destruction. Although large quantities of other goods were taken out of the building, they were all destroyed later.

Superintendent Cassidy had several gangs of men at work all day Sunday in replacing the burnt poles along King street. Ten poles were consumed and 135 lines disconnected along this street. The Hawaiian Electric Company's men were also busy putting up new poles in order to supply the Kalihi camps with light.

#### Meeting of Camp Committee.

Minister Young called a meeting of this committee at the Kalihi Detention camp yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock. There were present Minister Young, C. B. Ripley, L. A. Thurston, Dr. Geo. Herbert and J. A. Kennedy. By invitation President Dole and the newly appointed Finance Committee of the Board of Health, C. M. Cooke, J. B. Atherton and T. R. Walker, were present.

Minister Young stated that the first subject for consideration was the water supply; that the increase in the number of people had rendered the fresh water supply insufficient and there was always the possibility of the salt water pump breaking down. That the question of digging an artesian well should be considered; that the B. & O. Estate, which owned the land, would deal liberally with the government in the matter and would probably pay for one-half of the cost of the well. The estimated cost of a well and appurtenances would be not to exceed \$3500 or \$4000.

It was unanimously voted that a 12-inch artesian well be immediately bored at or near the camp to be used both for drinking water and flushing purposes. Minister Young was appointed a committee of one to immediately contract for the well.

In view of the urgent necessity for immediately increasing the fresh water supply and the fact that it would take several weeks to drill a well while it was desirable immediately to remove people from the other temporary camps about the city to Kalihi, it was voted to lay a second pipe from King street to the camp, the same to be three inches in diameter and Minister Young was appointed a committee to carry it out.

In order to guard against a possible break down in the salt water flushing pump, L. A. Thurston was appointed a committee of one to secure the refusal of a second pump to be used in case of emergency.

The committee then immediately inspected the camp as well as the adjoining camp known as Kalihi Detention Camp No. 2, which is being constructed for white and other families who desire and are able to pay for separate quarantine quarters.

#### SEWING BEE.

Ladies of Nuuanu Valley Alive to the Situation.

The ladies of Nuuanu valley, alive to the urgency of the situation resulting from yesterday's fire, have already organized a sewing bee, and will devote all the time possible within the next few days to the work of providing necessary clothes for the homeless men, women and children. All the women in the city who can donate callous and assist in sewing are given the opportunity of helping in the good work.

#### D. B. Smith Estate.

Mamie L. Smith, as sole heir, has petitioned for letters of administration to Cecil Brown upon the estate of her father, D. B. Smith. The estate is valued at \$90,000, and includes 2,500 shares of the Ewa Plantation Co., a \$25,000 policy in the Equitable Insurance Company, 104 shares in the Olua Plantation Co., paid up, 200 shares in the Kona Sugar Company, 100 shares in the Waiwala Agricultural Co., 200 shares in the Kihai Sugar Co., 25 shares in the Oahu Plantation Co., besides furniture, etc.

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